

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2162 - HB 2649

April 18, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (017046): Authorizes healthcare facilities to employ and commission POST-certified police officers to provide security and law enforcement at the facilities. Allows a local governmental entity to enter into a contract with an entity working on the megasite, as defined in § 64-9-103, for security services.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed legislation allows for healthcare facilities to establish additional qualifying factors, training standards, and policies for its police officers. However, the legislation does not require facilities to employ police officers or to establish these additional standards and policies.
- Any additional costs associated with employing police officers instead of hiring private security or other safety staff, are assumed to be at the expense of the hiring facility; therefore, there is assumed to be no fiscal impact to state or local government.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 64-9-103(4), megasite refers to the *Megasite Authority of West Tennessee Act of 2021* and means the initial megasite property, less all parcels of land conveyed in fee simple to private entities from time to time.
- The proposed legislation does not require the local government to employ security services. Any permissive increase in local expenditures associated with employing security services is assumed to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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